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NAST Sets New War Bond Record

Rear Adm. Ray Spear (SC) USN

SUPPLY ADMIRAL ABOARD

On 29 November, Rear Admiral Ray Spear, (SC) USN, came aboard and made an official inspection in his capacity of the Inspector, Supply West Coast.

Accompanied by Lt. Comdr. E. S. Walling, Station Executive Officer, and Lt. Comdr. B. C. Clark, Supply Officer, the Admiral pronounced the Supply Department "ship-shape".

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BLOOD QUOTA MET

On 11 December, when the Portland Red Cross Mobile Unit set up operations in the Dispensary, Nastites bettered the Station's blood quota of 160 by 27 pints.

Efficient Aid

Under the direction of Warrant Officer Hirshbeel, Navy nurses Lt. (jg) McKay, Ensign Russell and Ensign Hendrickson, as well as competent corpsmen, did much to keep the program operating smoothly.

Also aiding the work of the Unit were Mrs. E. S. Walling, Mrs. J. Wade Flaherty, Mrs. A. W. Ayres, Mrs. D. R. Richardson, Mrs. Dan Crosno and Mrs. Karleton Schwartz, wives of NAST Officers and men.

The Canteen Corps of the Tillamook Red Cross, with Mrs. L. B. Lucas in charge, was aboard, as they were in September with fruit juice, coffee and donuts for donors.

According to Chaplain Richard Bryan, who was in charge of arrangements and schedules, "Although most of the donors were repeats from the September program, the response was good all over the station. Hedron is to be commended for their response in spite of the emergency ship handling."

A luncheon was held for Red Cross workers at the Officers' Mess at noon.

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NAST'S CHRISTMAS CARD

NAST'S Christmas card to all friends afloat and ashore is the cover picture of Crater Lake, an indigo jewel caught in the prongs of an extinct volcano in the Cascade Mountain Range of Oregon.

With Lt. Guy Wicks at the rudder and a competent crew on duty, NAST'S K-Ship zoomed over the Pearl Harbor War Bond quota line ($15,000) on 1 December and flew dead ahead to set a new bond-buying record for the Station. The $37,668.75 in Series E bonds and $4,518.50 in Series G bonds made a grand total of $42,187.25, double the amount raised during the Independence Day Drive.

NAST Places Fourth

Making a good getaway, Tillamook's silver entry took the lead in NAB's Pearl Harbor Day War Bond Race. However, by 7 December, Pasco's F7F, flying a mystery route, out-maneuvered Pilot Wicks and crew to win the Commodore's War Bond flag with 362% of its quota. Undaunted, the sturdy K-Ship continued its course and finished fourth with 255% of its quota behind Arlington's SBD with 356% and North Bend's TBF with 301%.

High Bond Sellers

No ship is better than its crew, and the crew aboard the record - setting K-Ship was the best. Veteran bond-seller Fred Jones of Public Works turned in an outstanding record, selling $7,931.25 of bonds (dollar value). Virginia Rohner, AM3c of A & R Rubber Shop, chalked up $7,631.25. Mel Crosett, S1c, Station barber, sold $5,724.75. Dorothy Keenon, S2c, and Lydia Weber, Sp(S)3c, of the WAVES Office, sold $5,318.75 and $3,600 respectively. Betty Johnson of Supply was credited with $1,743.75.

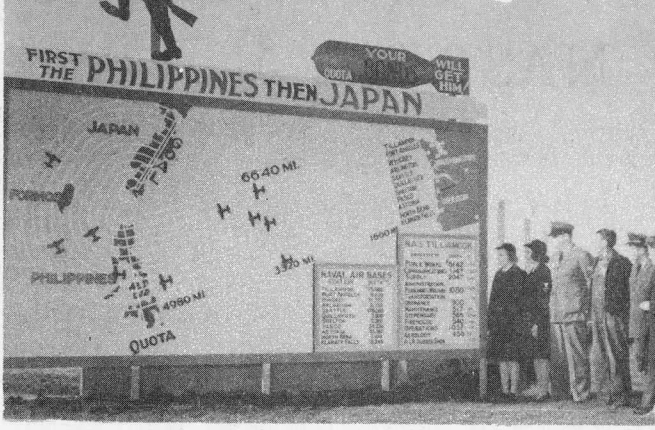
Other hard-working members of the crew were: Lt. (jg) Carney, Lt. (jg) Neely, Chief Hyde, Chief Sherman, Joe Stroka, Cavell Macdonald, SK3c; Favata, S1c; Cudworth, S1c; Mrs. Verran of Public Works; Caffrey, PR1c; Peterson, S1c.

Depts. Meet Quotas

In compliance with Captain Lange's re-

2ND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MODEST

On 1 December, a handful of officers and enlisted "plank owners"—men who had been aboard two years—enjoyed a special chow at General Mess and remembered WHEN. Among them were Captain Karl Lange, Lt. Comdr. Wm. Peeler, Lt. George Snedden, Lt. Kenneth McCoy, Lt. Eugene Crawford and Lt. (jg) Lester Lehrke. (Pictures below.)



L: Lt. Wicks & Captain Lange; R: bond sellers Austad, Rohner, Sherman, Jones, Lt. (jg) Douglass, Mrs. Johnson, Crossett; Weber & Keenon; Bond winners & Lt. Wicks.

quest to all hands to back the drive to the limit of their ability, all station departments turned in creditable amounts. Following are final figures based on percentage of dollar quotas: A & R, 4830 %; Administration and Welfare, 1491%; Medical, 234%; Transportation and Ordnance, 190%; Supply, 181%; Public Works, 138%; Communications, 126%; Operations, 105%; Aerology, 67%; Maintenance, 44%; Firhouse, 18%.

$1,000 Club Certificates

Friends of the Navy in the Tillamook area bought liberally, and fifteen $1,000 Club Certificates were signed by Captain Lange and distributed to as many high bond buyers.

Squadron and Hedron Buy

Squadron, under the leadership of Lt. (jg) V. J. Harper, went over the top in their Bond drive when they subscribed $4,387.50 in dollar value. Generally stimulating to Station bond-buying was their War Bond show "Victory Follies." (see p. 11).

Hedron's drive under Lt. (jg) Cross was bogged down by conditions beyond their control. They turned in $450 on their quota and hoped for a more favorable situation during the next drive.

Well Done . . . and . . . Merry Christmas

A hearty well done to all hands, military and civilian, who backed the Pearl Harbor Day War Bond Drive to the utmost of their ability. Special commendation is reserved for the A & R Rubber Shop for their unstinting efforts.

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To every man and woman aboard —civilian employees, officers and enlisted personnel of Station, Squadron, Hedron, and Marines—I extend greetings and a deep personal wish for your happiness in the New Year.

KARL L. LANGE
Commanding

NEW CROWS

On 1 December, Captain Karl Lange congratulated the below named Station men and women on their advancement to the next higher rating, as set opposite their names:

Boswell, R. M., AMM1c (LA) (T); Simmons, W. N., PhM1c (T); Stier, A. R., PhM1c (T); Becker, L. L., MaM2c (T); Springsted, W. L., AMM3c (T); Lutz, G. H., CM3c (T); Whitaker, R. A., S1c (GM); Kancel, E. E., S1c, (SAD); Daschner, H. L., S1c.

On 13 December, L. Weber, S1c, was advanced to Sp(S)3c.

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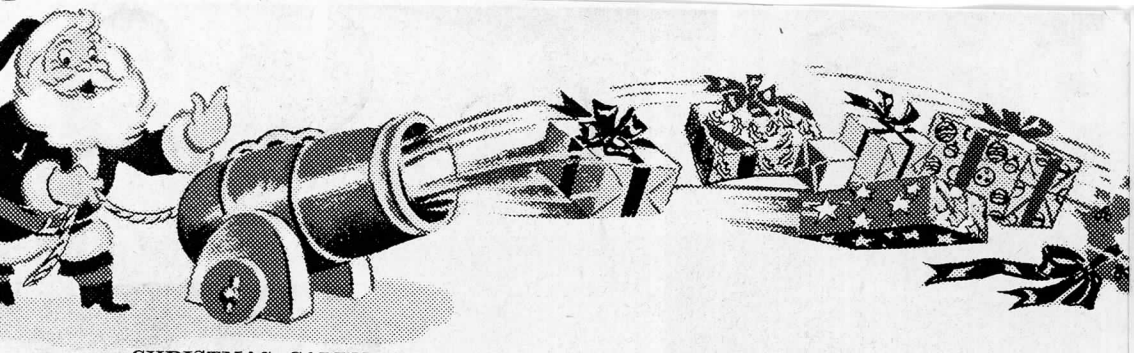
NEW YORK (CNS)—When Bandleader Woody Herman's cook threatened to quit, he enticed her into staying by writing a song—"Stay Awhile"—and dedicating it to her.



CHRISTMAS CALENDAR

A dispatch from the North Pole states that St. Nick has been ordered to the Pacific area and names Lt. G. P. Wicks, Welfare Officer, and Chaplain Richard Bryan as his standbys at NAS, Tillamook.

Christmas Dance—22 Dec.

In compliance with these orders, the Chaplain and his committee have planned "the Dance of the Year" on Friday, 22 Dec. from 2030 to 2350. Uniform of the night: formals for civilian femmes, dress blues for Navy personnel. Price of admission is a 10c gift, Christmas wrapped. Lt. (jg) Kelly's band will be on deck to dispense some musical Christmas cheer, and the Chaplain promises that the refreshments will be tempting.

Children's Party—23 Dec.

On Saturday afternoon, 23 Dec., St. Nick will fly in from the Pacific to play host to the children of all station personnel.

The little guests will watch Santa disembark at Hangar B and accompany him to the Rec Hall, where presents will be distributed and a variety of games played.

Christmas Eve Carrolers—21 Dec.

If you like to sing, mates, sign up with the NAST carrolers, under the direction of Chaplain Bryan.

The group will meet at the Rec Hall on Christmas Eve at 1900 and tour the Dispensary, Navy Housing and the Tillamook hospital. The evening will end with a party for all hands.

Christmas Services—25 Dec.

On Christmas Day at 1000, Father Michael will conduct Catholic Christmas Services at the Station Chapel. Chaplain Bryan will conduct appropriate Protestant Services at midnight on Christmas Eve.

Both services on the Sunday preceding Christmas will carry the Christmas motif.

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T/S M. A. Peterson & NAST Bride (Nee Marjorie MacGregor)

THIS WAY, SANTA!

St. Nick won't miss Navy Housing this year. Not with the Community tree already aglow in one of the busy intersections, and Navy families decorating the Oregon firs provided for them by hard-working Ted Zelinski, Navy Housing Maintenance man.

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CHRISTMAS AT WAVES BARRACKS

WAVES will be celebrating Christmas this year for the first time at NAS, and they fully intend to make the holidays merry. A party will be held for all girls the week preceding the 25th, and a barracks breakfast is planned on Christmas Day for those too far from home to leave the station.

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SQUADRON MAN TAKES BRIDE

On 5 December at a candlelight ceremony in the Oswego Methodist Church, Kenneth Persson, ARM3c, Squadron, and Donna J. Findley were united in marriage by Rev. J. W. Reed.

Gerald Peterson, AMM2c, Squadron, was best man and Marie Gette of Portland attended the bride. A formal reception followed the wedding at the bride's home on Lakefront Rd.

The couple are now making their home in Tillamook.

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STORK STUFF

Ensign and Mrs. Paul Bettcher, of Squadron, proudly report the birth of Sanford Allen, who checked in on 14 December, weighing 8 lbs., 7 oz.

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ABOARD TWO YEARS

The following civilian employees completed two years of service at NAST during the month of December.

Central Office: Leila D. Doty on Dec. 1.

Public Works: Alfred J. Nordstrom on. Dec. 7, Pearl A. Moore on Dec. 10, Ernest E. St .Clair, Dec. 10, and Joseph K. Barton, Dec. 24.

Supply: Joseph D. Kingsland, Dec. 28; Carroll M. Fest, Dec. 31.

Accounting: Norma A. Nelson, Dec. 21.....

MEDIC LOGS OUT

The detachment of Lt. Kenneth M. McCoy, (MC) USNR, Assistant Medical Officer, is a real loss to NAS, Tillamook.

A "plankowner", the Doctor was first detached some months ago for training at the school for Flight Surgeons at Pensacola. After a short tour of duty with the District Office of Naval Officer Procurement, he was re-assigned to Tillamook about 4 months ago. (Picture upper left.)

Comdr. C. A. Earl, (MC)USNR, of NAB, Seattle, is aboard as temporary replacement.

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REPORTS FROM MIDWAY

Reporting aboard after 13 months at Midway, where he was in charge of Aviation Free Gunnery, is Lt. Brehman H. Robinson, USNR, who has been assigned duties as Ground Training Officer at NAS, Tillamook. (Pcture upper middle.)

Prior to joining the Navy in April, 1942, Mr. Robinson was football and track coach at the University of Arizona. After taking his indoctrination at his home university, he served as Range Officer at Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

"I'm going to like the Oregon greenery, even if it is wet," he said. "Then it's my chance to be with my family."

The Lieutenant's wife and two children, Michael and Kathleen, are at Netarts.

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MARINE NOTES

On 4 December, Col. G. D. Jackson, Jr., USMC, District Marine Officer, came aboard to inspect the Marine Corps activities at NAST. He was accompanied by Capt. Leland C. McAuley, USMCR, District Rehabilitation Officer.

On 8 December, Sgt. J. M. Griffin, class four reservist was honorably discharged from the Marine Corps in compliance with the new overage discharge order. A leatherneck of many years standing, Griffin expects to enroll in the Merchant Marine and once again serve his country. (See picture left.)

COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER ABOARD

Reporting aboard as Assistant Communications Officer on 1 December was Lt. F. B. McStocker, following duty in Staff Communications in the Central Pacific.

Mr. McStocker was affiliated with the Western Union Telegraph Co. for 7½ years before joining the Navy.

Commissioned in March, 1942, his first Navy assignment was with Censorship at San Francisco, California. The following year in June, he went to NAS, Ford Island, Pearl Harbor. (Picture upper right.)

WELCOME ABOARD.

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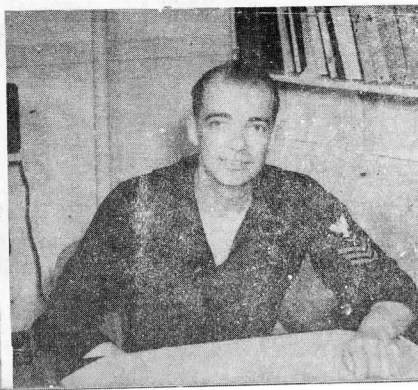
MAIL CLERK STEPS OUT

First NAS bluejacket to receive an overage discharge here, under the provisions of the recent Navy directive releasing Naval personnel of 42 and over to an inactive duty status, was Ivan H. Staton, Sp(M)1c, next to the oldest man below the rank of chief on the station.

After serving the Navy for 28 months—five at Bremerton and FPO, Seattle, and the remainder at Tillamook—Staton is returning to his home in Portland.

Transfers (picture below) include: Chamber, J. F., Y1c; Moloney, M. T., GM1c· Morgan, C. E., CHM(AA); Newman, R. C., StM2c; Rak, F. J., RM2c; Rieder, D. E., S1c; Surber, H. W., RM1c; Baxter, E. F., RM3c; Braden, H. R., Cox; Brown, M. N., FM1c; Dedmore, W. L., GM2c; Ellis, R., SK1c; Garner, J. E., Cox(T); Garver, J. B., Cox; Nicks, E., StM2c; Ison, M., SC1c McCown, AM1c; Newman, H. A., StM2c; Brown, R. E., ACMM(PA); Gauley, S., StM2c; Hillard, R., StM2c; Kinser, V.P., AOM3c(T).



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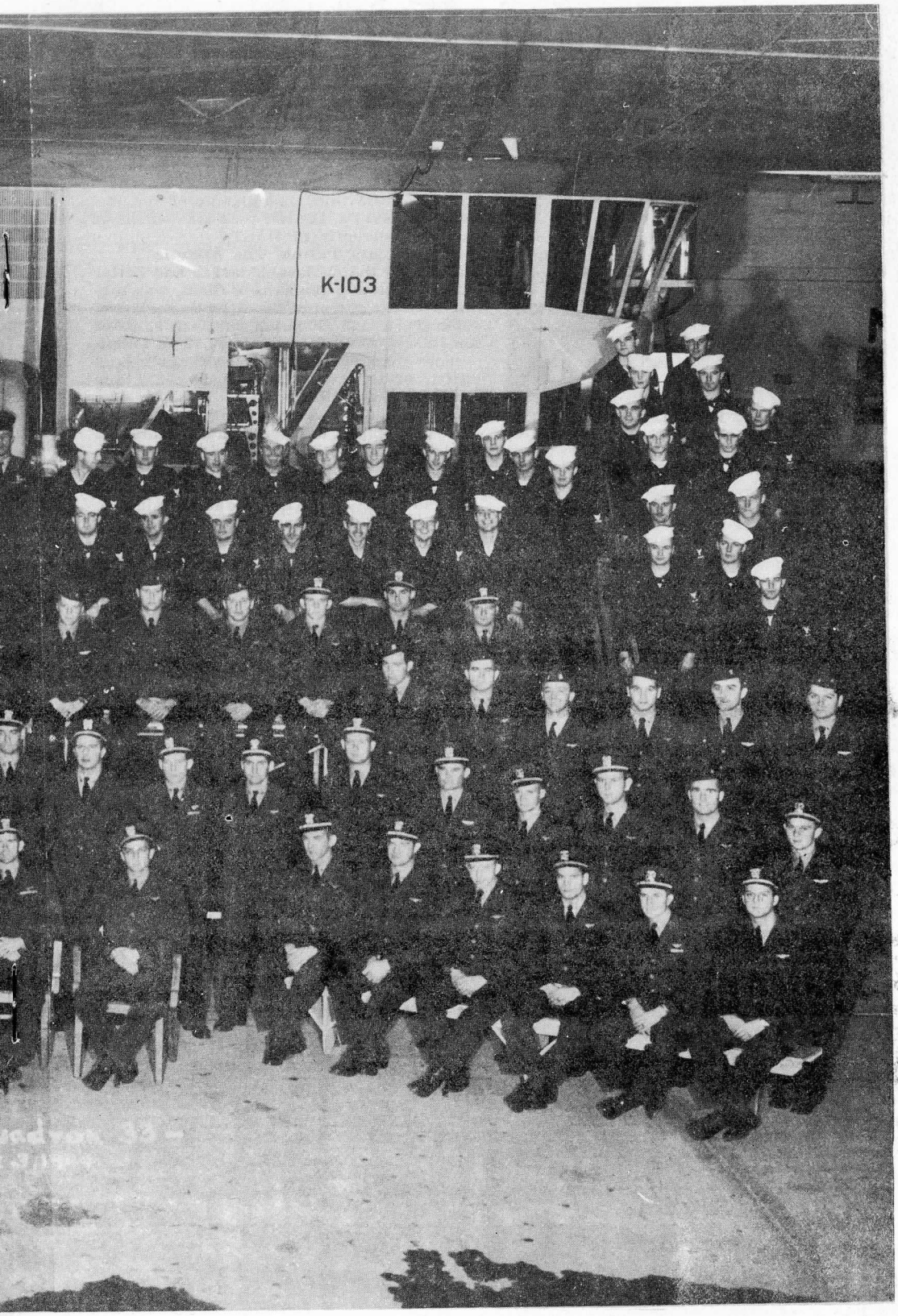
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GOLD BRAID ADDED

Nine Squadron Officers added half stripes to their sleeves early in December when an ALNAV raised them to the rank of Lt. (jg).

Pictured above before converting are: L. to R., Lt. (jg) J. G. Percy; Lt. (jg) W. P. Nuffer; Lt. (jg) Bruce Kelly; Lt. (jg) K. C. McCallum; Lt. (jg) E. S. McCollister. Standing L. to R., Lt. (jg) O. L. Oerzen; Lt. (jg) L. T. Jensen. Lt. (jg) D. R. Riddell and Lt. (jg) C. R. Stone were not present. R. W. Crowder, USN, of Hedron, was advanced to Chief Carpenter. Congratulations!

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SQUADRON SPOTLIGHT

Squadron throws the spotlight on a leader in Lighter-Than-Air, Capt. Howard N. Coulter, USN.

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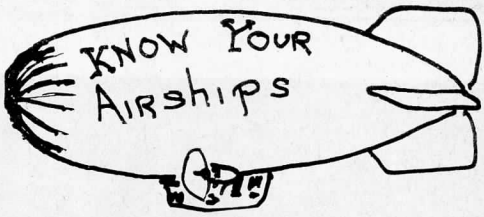
As Commander Fleet Airships Pacific, Capt. Coulter serves with knowledge and experience that few can equal. Almost half of his 27 years in the Naval Service have been spent in Lighter-Than-Air.

Upon graduating from the Naval Academy in 1921, Capt. Coulter served with the fleet as a Communications officer. In 1928 he received an M.S. degree, Electric Communications Engineering. In 1929 he served ashore in the Second Nicaraguan Campaign.

It was following this that Capt. Coulter entered LTA. He was assigned to NAS, Lakehurst in 1929 as Communication officer with additional duty as experimental radio officer aboard the rigid airship, USS Los Angeles. In 1932 he was designated Naval Aviator (airship) and was assigned to serve with Commander Rigid Airship Training and Experimental Squadron. Also in 1932, he served aboard the rigid airship USS Akron. He was a member of the commissioning crew on the USS Macon in 1933, and on board as Electrical and Communications Officer and Watch Pilot.

Capt. Coulter reported aboard NAS, Santa Ana, commissioned the station and served on board as Commanding Officer until February of this year when he relieved Capt. T. G. W. Settle, USN, as Commander Fleet Airships Pacific.

Capt. Coulter holds a U. S. patent as co-inventor of a radio direction finder system. He has also done post-graduate work at the Naval Academy and Harvard University.



This is the third installment of the history of Navy's Lighter-than-air, which is running currently in NAST.

C-Class Patrols The Atlantic

By 1918, the C-Class, a larger and better designed airship than tha B-Class, was taking over the patrol of the Atlantic seaboard.

Goodyear and Goodrich built ten ships of this class. They measured 192 ft. in length —more than 30 ft. longer than Class-B—and 42 ft. in diameter. Using hydrogen, they achieved a useful lift of 4,100 lbs. The two Hispano-Suiza engines, totaling 250 H.P., gave the ship a full speed of 52 knots. It could range over 1400 miles at 40 knots.

In 1919, the USS C-5 flew from Montauk Point, N. Y., to St. John's, N. F., a distance of 1,115 miles, in 25 hours and 40 minutes.

Short Step Forward

The Class-C was only a short step forward in the evolution of airship design. It still used the aeroplane fuselage suspended below the bag to keep sparks from the hydrogen.

The picture below illustrates the finger-patch system devised by Goodyear in which a piece of rope was rounded out to form a handlike figure.

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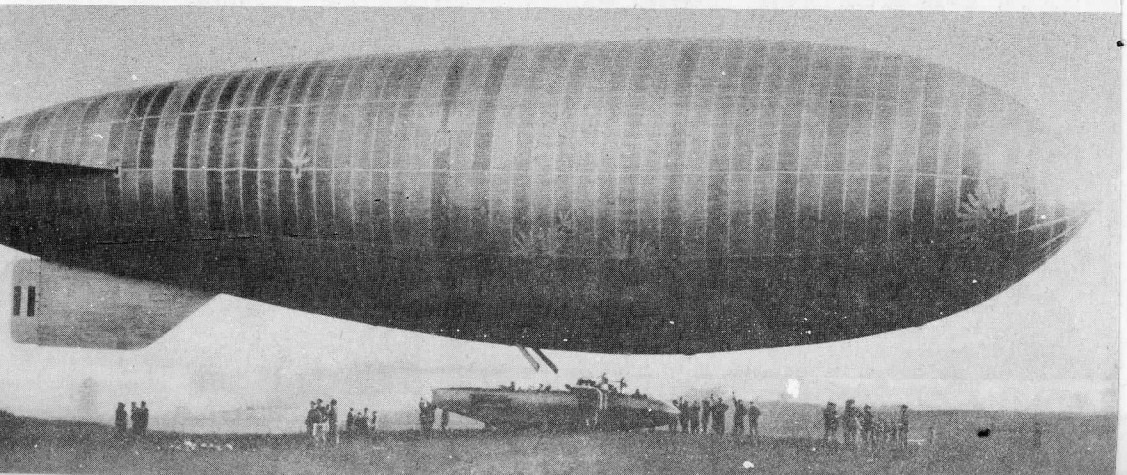
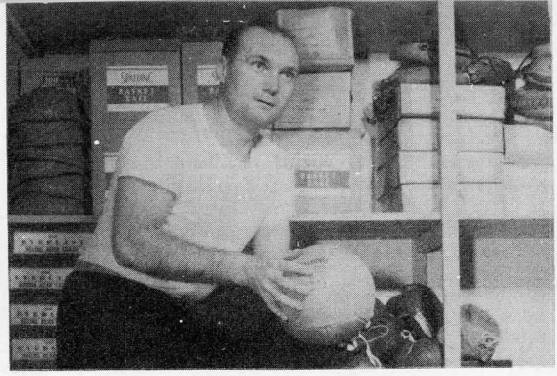
Women's styles have changed, but their designs are the same as ever.





NEW SQUADRON COACH ABOARD

....Pictured above is Lt. (jg) J. J. Jensen, who reported aboard on 14 November to Hedron and has since been transferred to Squadron as Director of Athletics. Prior to joining the Navy early in 1942, Mr. Jensen was swimming and boxing coach at San Francisco Junior College. His Navy assignments have included duty at St. Mary's Pre-Flight and Primary Flight at Dallas, Texas. Glad to have you aboard, coach.

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WEATHER FORECAST

According to his NAST shipmates, Lt. (jg) Vincent Ruble is heading North to work out a few plain and fancy blizzards, since he has completed his training at a school for Chemical Warfare in Utah.

Lt. (jg) Todd Bingham, detached 11 Dec., will take Mr. Ruble's place at Utah. Mr. Bingham has been aboard for four months for aerological indoctrination and training after he completed a course at Annapolis, Md.

Temporarily relieving Warrant Officer Hudson, Aerological Officer, is Lt. (jg) Bernadine V. McClincy. Mr. Hudson has been dreaming of a white Christmas in Brooklyn, N. Y. He's on his way to see his dreams come true.

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COOK PASSES 30 YEAR MARK

Robert Meyers, CK1c, has been commended by Comdr Simard of Naval Air Bases upon having completed 30 years of active Naval service. (Picture alongside.)

Aboard NAS, Tillamook since Jan., 1943, in Officers' Mess, Meyers joined the Navy at Charlston, S. C., and has served both afloat ond ashore, during which time he has made a record for honorable service.

Upon being congratulated he said, "I'm glad that I could serve this length of time and would willingly do it again."

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KEGLERS' KORNER

Weekly High Score—15 December:

Officers, Lt. (jg) Anderson	175
Enlisted men, Stake, S1c	229
Women, Mrs. Priest	196

All Time High Scores:

Officers, Lt. (jg) Dondero	248
Enlister men, Childers	279
Women, Mrs. Bursey	236

The Recreation Dept. announces "that the pin-boy situation is well in hand."

NAST Cagers Hold Own

Holding their own against competition of their own caliber, NAST basketmen are training to outplay the U. of O. and O.S.C. quintets, both of whom have downed our cagers within the past month. We meet O.S.C. on home ground on 21 December and U. of O. on 30 December.

Trim Army

Most spirited competition on the the schedule has been played with the G.I.'s from Ft. Stevens. On 9 December, Nastites won on home ground with a score of 38 to 25.

On 14 December, they did a repeat at Ft. Stevens, tossing a score of 50 to Army's 33.

NAS, Astoria in Offing

Concluding the basketball schedule will be a home-and-home game with NAS, Astoria on 5 and 11 January of next year.

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THE MAIL BAG

Karleton O. Schwartz, Sp(W)1c, writes from U. S. Navy Hospital, Corona, California: "Drop me a line, mates. Things are pretty quiet down here."

A letter from Clarence Morgan, CPhM, now stationed at Farragut, Idaho, brings the word that he misses the informality and comradeship at NAST.

Something for the Boys

Hedron Headlines

Received—M. E. Smith, SKV3c, after 2 months at Bremerton for treatment and A. B. Entwisle, S1c, after 2 months at Seattle on a similar mission.

Congratulatory salutations, and the like, are in order for two outstanding men, C. R. Ross and C. L. Hughes. As of 1 Dec., they were advanced to QM2c(T) and QM3c(T), respectively.

H. D. Barnhard, AM3c, became the proud papa of a bouncing baby girl on 23 December. (Where's that seegar you promised?)

Two promising bachelors took the fatal step recently: R. W. Graham, AM2c, and J. E. Whitfield, ARM3c. Congrats, and best of luck to both bridegrooms.

All hands would like to know when a certain yeoman striker is going to find out he isn't the man he thinks he is. (Evidence left on 2nd deck, Barracks No. 2.)

Welcome aboard to M. A. Clouser, PhM1c, USN, reporting from duty in the South Pacific.

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"VICTORY FOLLIES" SUCCESS

The all Squadron Bluejacket show, "Victory Follies," held on 7 December for civilian and Navy bond-buyers, and on 8 December for Navy personnel, scored high with all hands.

Bond drawings were held during the evening, the highlight of which was the $1,000 bond raffle conducted by Lt. (jg) Douglass and won by Bergfalk, AM2c, of Squadron. During the course of the show more drawings were held, and smaller bonds were received by a few lucky winners.

The "Follies" got under way after a musical opening by Lt. (jg) Kelly's band.

Lt. Wicks, Station War Bond Officer, introduced the promoter and master of ceremonies, G. M. Thompson, BM1c.

The curtain rose on a song and dance chorus composed of Squadron beauties in feminine attire. Chorines were: Dalton, AM2c; Bergfalk, AMM1c; Duncan, AMM2c; Jonasson, AM2c; Stefano, AM2c; Steinberg, ARM1c; Peterson, AMM2c; Kniffen, ARM3c; McGuffie, AMM3c; Baker, ARM 3c; Little, AMM2c; Rhodes, AMM2c; Boyer, AM2c; Hensley, ARM2c.

Tuffield received many encores with his accordian numbers, and Dalton and Steinberg captivated the audience with their Irish and old-time jazz numbers. A Gay Ninties number by six dudes of "the old school" included: Boyer, AM2c; Brown, ARM2c; Helfrich, AM2c; Walters, ARM2c; Taylor, QM3c; and Steinberg, ARM1c.

A clever skit with roles portrayed by: Felix, QM1c; Schniedwind, ARM2c; Tiffany, ARM2c; Dalton, AM2c; LaMoyne, AR1c; Little, AMM2c; Brown, ARM2c; Garrow, AMM1c, and the curtain closed with the entire cast singing "Anchors Away".

Congratulations, Squadron, on a grand show, worked out between flights!

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It takes two to make a marriage—a single girl and an anxious mother.

Dave Winnie Duo

Juggler Johnson

Montez & Marie

The Three Sharps

BOND BONUS PAYS OFF

Highlight of the Pearl Harbor War Bond Drive was "Going Some," thrill-packed USO Show, which played a double-header at NAST on 4 December to civilians and bluejackets alike.

Emceed by Al Mardo, the show included Johnson and Diehl, comedy jugglers; Charlie Withers, 'The Major of Hicksville"; the three Sharps, warbling lovlies; Montez and Marie, ballroom dancers, and the Dave Winnie Duo, who defied the laws of gravity with their aerial act.

Tillamookians got a thrill out of being aboard and seeing a G.I. show—Bluejackets got a bigger thrill out of a few acts of fine old time civilian vaudeville.

"Thanks Loads" Coming

"Thanks Loads," featuring Don Francisco and Co., wire-walking act; Three Wyse Girls, acro-dancers, and Damon the magician, will be aboard on 3 January, 1945. Looks like another good show, mates.

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PROTECT YOUR BONDS!

Heed the advice of the Secretary of the Treasury, mates, now that you've got your Pearl Harbor Day Bonds.

First, keep your bonds in a safe place. Second, keep a descriptive record of each bond, apart from the bonds, themselves, so that you will have a full description if they are lost, stolen, or destroyed and so may request a duplicate.

The record for each bond should show: (1) The denomination (2) the serial No. (3) the inscription (name and address) (4) issue date (month and year).

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Yes, sir, an artist's model is a girl who works only when her boss is looking.

WELCOME ABOARD

Chief Reports

Reporting aboard on Pearl Harbor Day and replacing J. F. Chambers, Y1c, in Station Personnel, is R. L. Houston, CY.

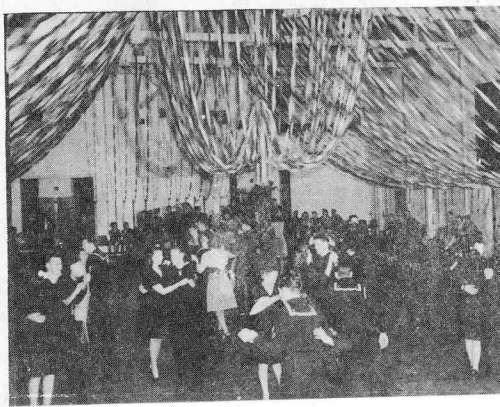
Houston joined the Navy in 1933 and spent the following 11 years at sea, serving aboard battleships and minesweepers. During the present conflict he was in the Anzio Division in the Mediterranean area. As his wife and daughter will join him soon, he is looking forward to NAST duty.

WAVES Aboard

Four WAVES recently reported aboard. Elva Curtis, S1c(Y), and Billie Gillette, S1c (Y), have been assigned to the Control tower; Elizabeth Schneider, S1c, has been assigned to Supply; and Dorothy Rathbun, S1c, to Welfare.

Other station personnel coming aboard during December are: Olney, W. W., GM1c; Shirk, W. E., RM1c; Bell, J. F., StM2c; Forest, E. P., Sp(Y)2c; Gamblin, G. M., S2c; Ray, SCS(PA); Taylor, B., Cox; Williamson, K. L., Bkr1c; Carney, W. H., S1c; Crawford, H. E., AOM1c; Cauley, S., StM2c; Lageman, A., S1c.

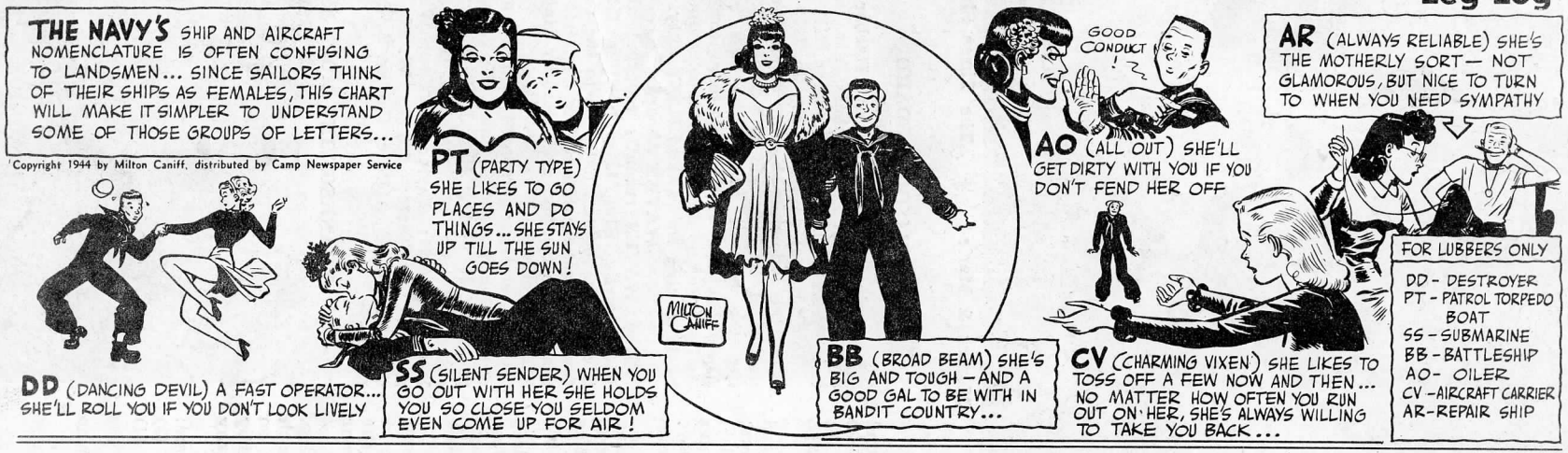
THANKSGIVING HOP



Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

Leg Log



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